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THE SANTA FE GRADE WORK BEGINS

CONTRACTOR DENISON WAS HERE MONDAY AND TUESDAY
AND SUBLET GRADING CONTRACTS

TIRE LINE IS CONTRACTED; CONTRACTORS HERE

Some Have Already Commenced and Others are Rushing Their Equip-
ments to This Point—Denison Establishes Headquarters
Here—Grade to be Ready for Rails by January 1st.

Last week we intimated
that there would be something
going in the matter of railroad
work at Lubbock, and our predic-
tion has come true as to the
Santa Fe work.

Walter H. Denison, the well
known contractor, who we an-
nounced several weeks ago had
secured the contract for the
grading from Lubbock to Tex-
as, arrived in Lubbock Friday
afternoon, accompanied by a
number of his office men, and
Saturday met a number of con-
tractors who had assembled
to receive instructions and
their allotted portion of the
grade work assigned them, and
a few days that Mr. Denison
will spend in Lubbock were
evidently busy days with him.
He opened his head offices in
Lubbock in the office building of
the Houston Lumber Company.
He will also have his commu-
nication that place, with D. W.
Harris, who is well known here,
his manager.

The Avalanche man called on
Mr. Jones Wednesday morning.
He favored us with the infor-
mation we will give below:

Mr. Jones said in substance
that the entire line between
Lubbock and Texico had been
grubbed by grade contractors
under Mr. Denison, except a
part of it which Mr. Denison
would put his own outfit on,
which portion is about twenty-
five miles out from Lubbock.
Where the line crosses the Yel-
low House Canyon, and which is
but the only real heavy grad-
ing on the entire line. It will
possibly be two weeks before
Mr. Denison can transfer his
grubbing and grading outfit to this
work from Wagoner, Oklahoma,
where they are at this time.

The first twenty-five miles of
the grade is sub-contracted to
the following parties: Miles one
and two, A. L. Grant; miles
three, four and five, G. L. Bar-
ber; mile six, R. R. Looney;

miles seven and eight, W. A.
Moore; miles nine, ten, eleven
and twelve, R. G. Davidson;
mile fourteen, G. T. Moore;
miles fifteen and sixteen, J. R.
Hale; mile seventeen, Neal
Lucke; mile eighteen, Beckman
& Son; miles nineteen, twenty,
twenty-one and twenty-two A.
G. Wright; miles twenty-three
and twenty-four, Tom Collins.
The balance of the distance as
stated above has been contracted
but we did not secure the con-
tractors' names.

All the grade, according to
contract must be finished and
ready for the rails by the 1st
of January, and we have it upon
good authority that track laying
will begin before that time.

The work on the grade will
be conducted from this end of
the line altogether.

Mr. Jones stated that G. T.
Moore started to grading Wed-
nesday. Tom Collins would start
Thursday, (to-day) and Neal
Lucke Saturday. All the others
will get busy as soon as they
can get their teams and equip-
ments on the ground.

The contract for grubbing and
clearing the right-of-way was
let to Caldwell and Meridith of
this city, and they are now at
work on the job.

This is straight from the Deni-
son office. There is no "Ava-
lanche hot-air front page rail-
roading" to it. The building is
now entirely outside of the Ava-
lanche office. We invite the
Randall County News, the Plain-
view papers, and all other news-
papers who have held us up in
an attempt to ridicule our rail-
road "dope" to please copy this
article in full, and then come
to Lubbock, where they will
find the Avalanche ready to
take them out to the seat of
grading operations, and make
Missourians out of the whole
bunch. Something doing in Lub-
bock. Come and see.

Smith Bill is Reported.

Washington, D. C., July 17.—

The Senate Committee on For-
eign Relations, through Senator
Root today reported favorably
the joint resolution of Senator
Marcus Smith of Arizona, which
is a copy of the joint resolution
of Representative W. R. Smith
of Texas. This resolution seeks
to set up by Congressional de-
claration and action a National
policy to the effect that an Amer-
ican citizen injured upon Ameri-
can soil by a foreign Nation or
its agents can not be required to
submit himself to the jurisdic-
tion of the courts of that coun-
try in order to obtain redress,
but this claim shall be adjudi-
cated diplomatically through the
agency of the State Department.

The Smith resolution seeks to
compel the State Department to
determine the damages done to
Americans at El Paso, and
Douglas, Ariz., by reason of the
fight at Juarez and Agua Prieta,

and then to enforce their pay-
ment by the Mexican Govern-
ment, instead of allowing the
claim to be settled by the Mexi-
can Government without assist-
ance from this country.

The committee report is made
by Senator Root and makes a
slight change from the original
text of the bill requiring the
War Department to furnish to
the commission which is to in-
vestigate and report on the ex-
tent of the damages sustained
by the claimants. The resolu-
tion may be passed by the Sen-
ate tomorrow if the committee
can have its way, but before it
passes Senator Fall of New
Mexico will offer some words of
criticism of the State Depart-
ment for its course in this
matter.

The joint resolution on this
subject by Representative Smith
of Texas has been reported by
the subcommittee on Foreign
Affairs, but is blocked by the
state of the House calendar.

PRIMARY ELECTION RULES

1. There must be a Presiding Judge, Assist-
ant Judge and Two Clerks.
2. Polls open at 8 o'clock and close at 7.
3. Presiding Judge must administer oath
before opening polls and must write his name
on the back of every ticket voted.
4. No public officer, school trustee or mem-
ber of the executive committee can help hold
the election, notaries and road overseers ex-
cepted.
5. None but qualified voters who have paid
their poll tax or are exempt, can vote, but it is
not necessary in primary to require poll tax re-
ceipt, exemption certificate or affidavit. Sec.
103.
6. If a voter became 21 between Jan. 31st
1911 and Jan. 31st 1912 he should have procur-
ed an exemption certificate and can not vote if
he failed to do so, but is not required to present
it. If he became 21 after Jan. 31st 1912, he
can vote if otherwise qualified.
7. If a person is not a qualified voter at the
primary but would be at the general election,
he is not entitled to a vote in the primary.
8. No ballot should be counted that does not
contain the primary test. This test applies to
all nominees from presidential electors to the
lowest office. Any person wishing to vote a
part of a ticket may do so, but the test is bind-
ing as to all nominees and must remain on the
ballot.
9. Counting of the ballots may begin one
hour after the polls are opened but no informa-
tion as to the vote of any candidate shall be
given out until the polls are closed. The result
may be given out after all the votes are
counted.
10. Returns should be promptly made to the
County Chairman.

SOUTH PLAINS COUNTRY SOAKED

MAGNIFICENT RAINS COVER NEARLY ALL THE TERRITORY
SOUTH OF AMARILLO TO T. & P. RAILWAY

WORTH THOUSANDS TO FARMERS AND RANCHMEN

Crops of all Kinds Are Now Growing Rapidly and Range Conditions
Are Greatly Improved. The South Plains Will Blossom
Like the Rose and Her Yield Will Be Abundant

Soaked, by gum! Amid all
this campaign thunder. Re-
gardless of who is elected Gov-
ernor of the great state of
Texas. It matters not whether
the chip falls, wet or dry, the
entire South Plains, with the ex-
ception of a few small spots, is
thoroughly soaked. Old mother
earth is again in possession of good
moisture, from the several rains
that have blessed this section of
the country during the past
week.

Fine rains are reported from
every direction, which indicates
excellent crop yields. The fall
at the various places seems to be
varied from an inch and a half
to five inches during the week,
the average being however,
about three and a half
inches. It was light around
Plainview but we understand all
other points north have had
ground soakers. South most all

the territory was covered to the
Texas and Pacific road, with the
exception of a small territory
around Lamesa.

By the coming of this season
at this time of the year it puts
this country in splendid condi-
tion, possible within itself
would not insure a heavy
yield, but with the present
conditions as they are and the
faith of getting more at the
right time arouses the optimistic
spirit within our anatomy and
causes us to predict one of the
heaviest crops that the South
Plains has ever harvested.

To us it looks good. The
people generally are feeling
good. Those who know the
South Plains are confident of
great things this year, and to
those who are in doubt we rec-
ommend investigation, or take
our advice and come to Lubbock.

City Building Notes

J. A. ARNOLD

A town is as dead as it looks.
There is a reason for a city's
growth—it is usually co-opera-
tion.

Commercial Clubs create con-
fidence.

It soon gets monotonous when
one man does all the boosting.
Trades excursions will bring
more results than a million cir-
cular letters.

It may be tiresome pounding
the same proposition all the
time but success comes from
sticking to what you start.

Prosperity follows publicity.
Some men are born great others
achieve greatness by striving
for the welfare of their commu-
nity.

Fast freight facilities enable
the Texas jobbers and manu-
facturers to fill rush orders
without confusion or trouble.

It's easy enough to be pleas-
ant when you are a booster.
Be modest in all things except
city boosting.

It takes big pay rolls to build
a city for the pay roll usually
stays at home during the sum-
mer months while the bank ac-
count spends the hot season at
the seashore.

A man with a number twelve
shoe and a number three hat usu-
ally leaves the smallest foot-
prints on the sands of time.

Courtesy courts capital.

The post office was moved
from the old building last Sat-
urday afternoon, into their new
location in the west room of the
Merrill and Roberds building.
They have a nice roomy place
there and the public can be
better served than in the former
location. All we need now is a
new set of post office equipments
to make our post office compare
favorably with any on the plains.
We are sure that we will get
it at the very earliest date that
postmaster Stubbs can get it.

BORN—to Mr. and Mrs. L. A.
Hitecock on the 24th inst, a
nine and half pound boy.

Church Notes

[We will be glad to make any an-
nouncements of Church Service, Pro-
grams, etc., in this column free of
charge, where no revenue is received
from the services.—Editor.]

HOLINESS MEETING

The Holiness people will be-
gin a protracted meeting two
miles east of Meadow on the 9th
of August which will continue
ten days. Rev. J. W. Wells will
conduct the meeting. Everybody
is cordially invited to attend.

SUNBEAM PROGRAM

Song.
Prayer.
Scripture Reading—Matt. 13:
24-30, by Mary Hughes.
Questions on Lesson—Nuel
Bryan.
Reading—Lester Miller.
Reading—Aleen King.
Song.—Mildred, Wilma, Carrie
and Sylva.
Recitation—Lina Wester.
Ten commandments, by All.
Lord's Prayer.

There will be a business meet-
ing of the Sunday School workers
of all the churches in Lubbock at
the Methodist church, Sunday
afternoon at 3 o'clock. Every-
one interested in the Sunday
Schools is most earnestly request-
ed to be present as there will be
business of great importance.
MRS. M. C. OVERTON.

C. A. Holcomb, the grocer has
moved into his new store room
on the northeast corner of the
Merrill-Roberds building and now
has one of the nicest little
grocery establishments in the
city. See his ad in this issue of
the Avalanche.

Marriage license were issued
this week to W. R. Glenn and
Miss Nora J. Vernon. Gid Priest
and Miss Ethel Pearce. The first
couple being of Lubbock and the
latter of Slaton.

Mrs. Arnold Brown is visiting
friends near Abernathy this
week.

Clean-Up-Day

A number of the ladies have
taken it unto themselves to see
that weeds are all cut off the
school grounds and have set
Tuesday July 30th as the day
for this work to be done.
They are doing this in order that
the grass and sand burs be
checked in their growth before
they become mature. It is a splendid
idea, and should have the en-
tire support of every
parent of the school and all the
school children. All who will
help in this work are requested
to meet at the High School
building at 8:30 Tuesday morn-
ing with a hoe, rake or shovel,
prepared to put in a few hours
work for the good of the school.
The ladies are requested to bring
basket lunch and dinner will
be served on the ground. If
you can't come yourself send
one to help.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hall, who
have been spending a few weeks
in Lubbock, returned to their
home in Fort Worth Thursday.

The Avalanche's subscription

list was increased this week,
by adding five new ones as
follows: J. A. Carlisle and E.
A. Carlisle, both of Kaufman,
Texas; Gus Watkins, Terrell,
Texas; J. N. Shaw, Kemp,
Texas; and Joe Fox, Ola, Texas.
These five men will become
readers of the Avalanche through
the courtesy of "Uncle" Gus
Carlisle, who by-the-way is one
of the most enthusiastic sure-
enough boosters for Lubbock
that is to be found. We hope
that the money for these sub-
scriptions will be well spent.
The Avalanche will endeavor to
do its part toward giving the
readers of these five copies as
well as the large number who
have been readers of the paper
their money's worth.

The protracted meeting at the
Cumberland church closed last
Tuesday night. Rev. Dunn
preached some strong sermons,
and the church and all who at-
tended are no doubt greatly
benefitted by his coming here.

Political Rally

Program for the great political
rally, to be held in the Court
Yard, Friday evening, July 26,
1912:

8:15. Concert by the Lubbock
Band.

8:30. Gov. Colquitt's record
on Educational and Prohibition
Questions, by Prof. J. K.
Wester.

Music by Band.
8:50 Gov. Colquitt's record
and claims on Penitentiary re-
forms, Pardons, and kindred
subjects, by Hon. Roscoe Wilson.

Music by Band.
9:10. Reasons why Colquitt
should not be nominated and
answer to Judge Potter's speech,
by Hon. W. F. Schenck.

Music by Band.
9:30. Colquitt's Appoint-
ments, etc., by Hon. E. L.
Klett.

Music by Band.
9:50. Colquitt out of Harmony
with Democratic Sentiment both
State and National, by Hon.
Geo. R. Bean.

Music by Band.

10:10. Ramsey vs Colquitt,
by Hon. W. H. Bledsoe.

Music by Band.

Let the ladies come out and
enjoy a pleasant evening. All
candidates will be given an op-
portunity to make their an-
nouncement, time not to exceed
two minutes. The people in the
surrounding country are espe-
cially invited to be present.

RAMSEY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

Long Brothers are now in
their new quarters in the Mer-
rill and Roberds building. They
have a very conveniently ar-
ranged store and their stock
shows up much better than in
their former building. They
want your trade. See their ad
in this paper.

Miss Laura Dozier, of Kress,
who has been visiting Mrs. Carl
Roberds, left Thursday for her
home.

Mrs. H. M. Hallbrook, was
over from Crosbyton the latter
part of this week, shopping.